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Any other nation in the position of our would make such performances as those at Colon last week the occasion for a military occupation of the Isthmus. This occupation would at first be merely previsional, for the purpose of protecting American interests; but it would end, as such occupations always ago. do, in a protectorate and finally in annexation. By such means have the colonial possessions of European nations, rightfully in most cases, been gained and the civilization of the world thereby greatly advanced. By an Empire which is the admiration of every untold service to the cause of humanity. a source of wonder and pain.

taken possession of the isthmus, upon some neighbors with frontiers marching across of the grounds which its barbarous people Central Asia the danger of disputes difficult so freely offer, is due solely to their respect to heal will still be grave. We speak of the for the superiority of the American interests frontiers as at last coterminous because as proclaimed in the Mouroe Doctrine. The Afghanistan being under British protection, primacy of the United States on this conti- England has not only to see the Ameer's ment is always tacitly recognized, though, territory respected, but to see that his turalso, for prodential reasons, diplomatically bulent subjects respect the adjacent territory disputed, by all the Powers. But, continu- of the Czar. With a race like the Afghans. ing indefinitely to neglect our duty to pre- born freebooters, this will be no easy task, serve order and protest property, and con- But as neither power desires war the great tinuing to forego our opportunities for the conflict for supremacy in Asia which both expansion of our influence and territory, is nations believe to be inevitable will probably there not danger that the chance we lose be for the present postponed. will some time be seized by France, Germany, or England? Unless this finally happens all the inductions of historical experience and common sense will be falsified.

The vigor with which our new Administrapartial excuse for his backwardness. Let us thing in war. With a warlike race like the materially. hope that we have entered upon a new era and that when an exigency arises our naval officers will know how to follow Ingraham's agreat war would almost certainly develop capable generals. And Sir Frederick Robbefore and that they are steadily advancing toward civilization. Taxation is not as two control of the breaking out of the war he relinquished his toward civilization. Taxation is not as naval officers should be to understand their erts, V. C., who would play a leading part most of the real emergencies they will ever | mutiny are now too old for service. be called on to face will be of the kind which brought such a deserved reprimand upon Commander Kane, and prepare themselves by a careful study of international law and precedents.

The obscure mutterings of a disposition to refuse to confirm the President's appointees sufficient to show that Mr. Cleveland has be imprudent.

that of Mr. Buck to the Pernvian Mission, the Kings reigned 500 years. nominations were such as any reasonable Democrat could approve.

nations of President Cleveland. It will not rotten support will break.

Senator Van Wyck gets his idea as given in an interview last Thursday, that "Where "no stated tenure exists, it has been the "rule to grant to each official incumbent a "lease of office coexistent with the term of "the Presidential Administration. Officers "who have been appointed by the President " are entitled to a four years' continuation " of the exercise of their respective official "functions unless their should arise a cause "for removal." All the effort of late years has been directed to the repeal of the fouryears' law, which only applies to a few offices, but which in regard to them embarrasses the President almost as much by dropping desirable men as it does in the other direction by tending to retain those that are undesirable. Now Senator Van Wyck wants to give the law a wide and unheard of extension by one of those unwritten "rules" the Senate is so fond of, and which are always making mischief. Would such a rule have been heard of, we are tempted to inquire, if it had been a Republican Presi-Senate?

We have received during the past week a communication from a person who adopts the nom de plume of "Crawfish," and who requests us to publish the same, adding that he is a constant reader of our "valuable "paper." If our piscatorial correspondent pecially her Indian Empire afford those of Government, is really in the habit of reading our paper it is strange he has not discovered that it does not lend its " valuable " columns to rancorous personalities. Any cases of abuses of power or influence in office should be re. Ceylon, \$40,000; the Governors of Cape spectfully referred to the head of the Department in which they occur, where they will probably be justly dealt with. In the meantime withering sarcasms directed at public officials are not the sort of literature which gives our paper its value.

The first Democratic Administration since the war has now been in power over a month, and its most virulent critics have found nothing to pick upon but the appointment of Mr. Higgins and the closing of the Interior Department when Jacob Thompson died. If this is not a high tribute by implication, then no such thing is possible No wonder there are enthusiastic comparisons to the administration of George Wash-

We were promised great things by the Fish Commission. Our rivers were to be restocked with food fishes of all the old and many new kinds, and immense good was to be done. The experiment has now been going on more than long enough for its results to be shown, and, notwithstanding the millions of shad that were annually hatched and turned into our rivers, the catch has each year been worse than the last. This is not only true in the Potomac, but, so far as we can learn, in the Delaware, Hudson, and Connecticut rivers, and, indeed, everywhere Evidently the artificial propogation of fish

them. With their contempt for death the dor at St. Petersburg and Constantinople. Celestials only need modern arms and discipline to become formidable foes. The invintible conservatism of the people is the chief

fully overcome they would be the greatest in the world. Not only is the supreme expower in the East. That the French will finally prevail cannot be doubted. Apparently only some such accident as the breaking out of a general European war can prevent them from marching to Pekin and "taking over" as much of China as they choose, or as the Euglish will let them. In Cochin China they hope to find compensation for the Indian Empire lie works, one extraordinary member, the they lost a hundred and twenty-four years The news from Europe grows less warlike, and we are confirmed in the belief expressed some weeks ago that Russia is not ready to fight. There is in fact no cause for

war in the insignificant frontier dispute, in such means has arisen that Greater Britain, which it is by no means clear that there has been any intentional aggression by the Rusenlightened person, and which has done sians. The two powers are now struggling Viceroy. with the grave difficulty of an undefined That the United States with its golden op- frontier, a condition sure to end in war unportunities sullenly refuses to follow such less before it reaches that point the frontier an illustrious example is to all sound minds can be positively defined by mutual agree ment. Even when the line between Afghanistan and Russian Turkestan is delimited That European powers have not already and England and Russia have at last become to heal will still be grave. We speak of the frontiers as at last coterminous because Afghanistan being under British protection, England has not only to see the Amser's territory respected, but to see that his turbulent subjects respect the adjacent territory of the Czar. With a race like the Afghanist born freebooters, this will be no easy task. But as neither power desires war the great conflict for supremacy in Asia which both nations believe to be inevitable will probably be for the present postponed.

The system of taxation in India is thorough and the revenue is mostly derived from land, though salt and opium are among the productive sources of revenue. The total revenue is about three hundred and fifty million dollars per annum, and the expenditure about seventy million dollars per annum, and the system of the same amount.

Though po part of the monay raised by taxation in Though po part of the monay raised by taxation in the contractor on the inter-Oceanic collectors, they are also civil and criminal magistrates, and have the direction of the manays that life and property are absolutely safe in Galeemala, and the people kind and nospitable. He contractor on the inter-Oceanic collectors, they are also civil and criminal magistrates, and have the direction of the poilec, jalls, education, municipalities, roads, and the executive and sanitation. In some districts the executive and sanitation.

hope that we have entered upon a new era English, red-tapeism may put incompetents rights and duties in such cases. This is the in a war with Russia, has already proved his more necessary in a country which has no mettle, and, so far as actual achievement is respectable consular or diplomatic system. | concerned, is the first of England's younger Our naval officers should remember that soldiers, for the leading heroes of the great

> by Englishmen and in a high state of effi- India. ciency, number 127,000. This could be recruited to any extent. Then the feudatory

The Republican Senate has not added to world, and that Russia pushes her armies its strength among the people by its failure across the steppes hoping that her grand op- The result is that England is served by men to act upon every way worthy nomi- portunity may come, when they contemplate who combine in the highest degree intellido to throw too much strain upon the un- Even the well-informed American needs to sense of honor. constitutional tenure-of-office act, or that stop and think before he can fully comprehend the vastness and populousness of that It would be interesting to know where

rather than a country." dent sending nominations to a Republican employs about twenty general officers, with a nized guide for such fitness applying to ment at home.

> Great Britian. It is mainly from this source that the nobility of England replenish their fortunes. The Governor General of Canada has a salary of \$50,000; the Governor of Colony and Hong Kong, \$30,000 each; the Governor of Singapore, 828,500; of British Guiana, 25,000; of Victoria, (Australia,) \$50,000; New South Wales, \$35,000; South Australia and Queensland, each \$25,000; New Zealand, \$37,500; the Fiji Islands, \$25,000; Jamaica, \$35,000; Trinidad, \$25,-000; Malta, 825,000; Gibraltar, 825,000, Of course the number of places worth from \$5,000 to \$20,000 per annum is much greater. But India furnishes the greatest prizes of all. The Governors of Madras and Bombay have

General \$175,000. The Earl of Dufferin (F. H. Temple-Blackwood) has at last gained the great ingentrances, processions, groups, and colors before prize of the British public service, the vice-royalty of India. Hitherto he has enjoyed tris announced that the circus will be here April his fair share of honorable and profitable
but comparatively toilless tasks. He has
won a high reputation in places where one

overgrown two and three-ring circuses are all humcould only be tried by the suave manners bugs, because no person can see more than one feat and tact which win personal friendship, and at a time, and the enormous distances from which most of the audience are scated are so far away that they cannot get a good view of anything in the rings. Let us get back to the single ring, and reform the

\$75,000 each, and the Viceroy and Governor

good occasions A place of just this easy sort was the Governor Generalship of Canada, lately held by town of 50,000 inhabitants in the Upper Punjab, a detailed account of the meeting on the previous day of the Viceroy, Earl Dufferin, and Addar Rahman made a host of American friends who are Khan, and the substance of the American speech was now taking a friendly interest in his career.

Canada being governed by a Parliament and had another despatch from the same place announce-

The French defeat in Tonquin, with its Lord Palmerston to Syria to investigate some heavy losses, would indicate that the Chi- massacres, and had been Under Secretary of nese are beginning to furnish their troops State for India and for War. Since leaving with repeating rifles and learning to use America he has been successively Ambassa-

But the Vicercy of India has a trust of a much higher and more responsible kind. cause of their weakness. Once this were He is really one of the greatest potentates cutive authority in India vested in the flovernor General, the is not officially known as Viceroy,) but acting in Council he has power to make laws for all India, subject, however, to ultimate supervision by the English Sec retary of State for India. The Council of the Vicercy consists of six ordinary members, who preside over the departments of foreign affairs, finances, interior, military, and pubcommander-in-chief, these seven appointed by the Crown, and twelve legislative members appointed by the Viceroy himself. The Governors of Madras and Bombay are appointed by the Crown and have their own Councils, but the Lieutenant Governors and Chief Commissioners of the other ten provinces, as well as the residents at the courts of the native princes, are appointed by the

The administration of British India is in the hands of 238 district collector magistrates or deputy commissioners, who are autocrats in their territories, combining all the functions of government, and with their subordinate deputy collectors and assistant magistrates doing for the natives under their jurisdiction everything that a paternat government can undertake. Besides being tax-collectors, they are also civil and criminal Railway now building through Guatemala. This

is now, as he has been for eight hundred years. Though no part of the money raised by taxtion has acted in this case is refreshing. Of the best soldier in the world. And intelli- ing the Hindus goes directly into the British late years so little spirit has been shown on gent courage, as was so often proved by the treasury, the result is to indirectly lighten such ocasions that Commander Kane had a Greeks and Romans, is after all the best the burden of the British tax-payer very

> toward civilization. Taxation is not as law business and entered the army as colonel of burdensome as under the various Asiatic the Tenth Regiment P. R. V. C., but resigned in dynasties that have held sway. For a strik-ing feature of modern British administration the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. His ing feature of modern British administration is its conscientiousness. Were India in the hands of the Russians, French, or even the chanan. Although a firm Democrat previous to 1572. Germans, we should not see almost the whole | in the Presidential contest of that year Judge Mc-Calmont supported General Grant, between whom The British resources for a war in Asia are very great. True, the force of English troops to India is small about 63,000 men of all arms. We see such earnest effort to prevent the committee of Canaral Hancock, who was a classin India is small, about 63,000 men of all arms | we see such earnest effort to prevent the and grades. But the native army, officered people dying from the famines periodical in mate of his at West Point and a warm friend, he

It is well worth considering whether the where Republicans have been removed are princes have armies numbering about low tone of our political life is not largely amfor superior judicial qu 300,000. They are all apparently well dis. due to the lack of any such high rewards for been wise in making haste slowly with his posed, and the principal ones have offered removals. To precipitate a contest with the Republican Senate at too early a period would | doubtless all be eager to have their troops | some part of the faults we see around us are doubtless all be eager to have their troops some part of the faults we see around us are employed and paid by the British. Nor, while their loyalty is less certain, will the ment, in other words, to the pernicious consisted of upwards of two hundred veterans from Last week's executive appointments were Afghans themselves be mean allies. The prevalence of the Spotis System, but there it will be remembered, himself did valiant service in better than those of the week before. We were not fully convinced that Postmaster Ghoorkas, and Pathans call the Afghans the ducement for the brightest and best men to Pearson should be retained, though there bravest of all soldiers. This is doubtless a devote themselves to the service of the Gov-Pearson should be retained, though there bravest of all soldiers. Inis is doubtless a were powerful reasons in favor of that course. But, with the exception perhaps of course. But, with the exception perhaps of course. But, with the exception perhaps of the line of Afghan where the line of Afghan vice of Great Britain furnish a school of states manship which has not its equal any. statesmanship which has not its equal any-Kings reigned 500 years.

No wonder that Germany and France are enviously seeking colonies all over the long career of honor and usefulness, with a service, if the programme worked well, but when the secretary of the Association was introduced to the President he forgot what else it had been arranged was to be the greatness of the British Empire in India. gence, courage, conscientiousness, and the

> Considerable feeling has been excited Empire, and how much its possession has among the politicians at the President's discontributed to the wealth of England. India position to select for important places men comprises twelve provinces under direct without experience in public life. The ob-British administration and about one hun- jections to this course are obvious. There is dred and fifty feudatory states and princi- little inducement for the best citizens, men palities. In the words of the "Encyclopædia of education, ability, and integrity, to enter Brittanica:" "The whole contains close on a public career in the United States. The '12 million square miles and 240 million remark is common and rarely disputed that inhabitants. The area, therefore, is almost our ablest and most ambitious men engage in business rather than in politics. Yet in the area and population of all in business rather than in politics. Yet in of Russia's advance in the direction of British India double Gibbon's estimate of 120 million for must be honorable and sufficiently paid. In "all the races and nations which obeyed a government by parties citizens should travelers,) together with a description of the appropriate Rome. India forms a continent take an active part in politics as a prelimination of the country and its 'Imperial Rome. India forms a continent take an active part in politics as a preliminary to public service. The term politician ought therefore to be a compliment instead of France well knows what she is doing in a reproach. But to appoint to the offices of the China. She is striving to retrieve the error highest rank and emolument men whose she committed when she failed to sustain activity has been exclusively given to their Dupleix and so lost an Empireshe has never private affairs is to abandon the first prinseased to regret. The military and profes- ciple upon which advancement in the public sional classes of the other European powers service should rest. Admitting, of course, cannot but feel envious when they see the that the superior fitness of the man to dis. two horoes are Englishmen it is a thoroughly Ameri careers which from the time of Clive to the charge the trust confided to him is the best present have been open in India to their reason for his appointment, it must remain English compers. The Indian service true that there can generally be no recognisal cleverly written story, with well-drawn characters applying to the volume is not serious, and its texture is light, but it is readable. Received from Brentano's. thousands of civilians, all at higher pay employment. There is such a thing as carthan they would receive in similar employ- rying too far even the popular contempt for politicians, and a good way to illustrate this is to reward for their indifference to all politi-No other nation has such rewards to offer cal struggles men who have never shown

> > All the London papers give much space to Gilbert & Bullivan's new opera, "The 'Mikado," which is very successful. The Saturday Review has an elaborate notice with copious extracts from the songs and dialogue,

> > is worked on the same principle as a coal mine. The music has to be delved and dug for before it gets up to the surface. Then follows a time of consulta-

Cante telegrams are exhibiting queer phen

Hox. George Banckorr is preparing a book on Shakespeare and his writings, in which he will con-fute the Baconian theory as to the authorship of

It will be rather hard on some patrictic Americans if war breaks out between this country and Central America, for there is a war in Canada going on at the same time, and they won't know which way to run. Probably they will be willing to let the "Rebel "Brigadiers" do some fighting for them.

Work has recommended on the Capitol terraces, both north and south sides. The priddling way in which public works of this kind are kept unmished year after year when there is pienty of money in the

year after year when there is plenty of money in the Treasury is one of the most contemptible of the many similar incidents that give Americans so low an opinion of their politicians and form of govern-For the manner in which it cares for its first-class passenger traffic there is no railway in America like the Pennsylvania. A new reduction in time has

A RURAL photographer is perambulating the suburbs of Boston whose conscientions frankness furnishes some good stories. He had a young lady sit for her picture, who, at a subsequent visit to ex-amine the proof, was not pleased at the result, and remarked that she "did not like it at all," and that she thought it was "perfectly horrid." The artist, looking attentively at the young lady, remarked, "I" know it is frightful looking, but I had to take what

" sot afore me." THOMAS STEVENS, who has eyeled from San Francisco to New York, proposes to prolong his journey Liverpool April 9; wheel from Liverpool to Dover from Calais, through France, Germany, Austria, to Constantinopie; from Scutari, through Asia Minor and Persia, to Teheran; thence through Turkestan, via Bokhara, to China; then down the Yangtse Kiang to Shanghai, and finally through Japan. He expects

JOHN S. MCCALMONT, of Franklin, Pa., the ap-pointee for Commissioner of Customs, to succeed judge Henry C. Johnson, is prominently and tavorably known in Western Pennsylvania. He is a lawyer by profession, but has not been in practice for some years. He was elected president judge of the district formerly composed of Venango and Warren counties, serving a term of ten years, during which he was brother, the late General Alfred B. McCalmont, was nomination of General Hancock, who was a class ardently esponsed the cause of, Rancock. With the exceptions noted Judge McCalmont has been an active supporter of the Democracy in their local and national contests. He is a gentleman of tine culture

Ex-Senator Williams, of Kentucky, has told on President Cleveland a few days after his maugutence at the end for their old age. done, so bolted out of the window by the temporary bridge leading from the Executive Mansion to the sidewalk outside, and every man, as fast as he was presented to the President, followed the leader, like a flock of sheep, out of the window, until Genera Williams, their chosen spokesman, was left abso-utely alone with the President in the big East Room leneral Williams, laughing heartfly at the desertion of his comrades, and having now no audience but the President, told him of the speech he had been re quested to deliver, but that he did not propose to infic it on him alone, so left him after briefly assuring him of the respect and good-will the veterans had desire should be expressed to him on their behalf.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

Gen. T. F. Rodenbough, of the Army, has writte a book entitled " Afghanistan and the Anglo-Rus based upon the recent official reports and personal experiences of Russian and British officers and people, and a statement of the available military re ources of the contesting powers. With maps cor-ected to date and illustrations. Gen. Rodenbough writes in a clear, concise style which is at once graceful and easy to read, and we predict for his book un qualified success.

Maurice Thompson, the poet and graceful write of out-of-doors prose, has written a novel, called At Love's Extremes," which Messrs. Cassell & Co will publish in April. The scene of the story is laid in the Mountains of North Caroline, and while th can tale, as strong as it is picturesque.
"The Knight of the Black Forest," by Grace

Denio Litchfield, [New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons, Mr. Keenan's novel, "Trajan," has met with a instantaneous success. The first edition was exhausted within ten days of publication and the presses of Messrs. Cassell & Co. are going night and tay to meet the demand for this remarkable story. No other nation has such rewards to offer its public servants as her Colonial and estated in the affairs of their registly her Indian Empire afford those of Government.

Col. Fred Burnaby's unpublished novel is said to have such a flore political tone that it will have to be issued in conjunction with a biography, which will soften and explain it.

FOREIGN ITEMS.

The London Standard says that according to th best available information the following is the present distribution of the Itussian forces east of the copious extracts from the sougs and dialogue, and the Pull Mail Gazette has an elaborate illustrated article. The latter journal gives us an insight into the methods of the collaborate are:

Mr. Gilbert spends mouths over the writing of a new opera. There is the idea, the rough draft of the expression. The lyrics follow, and are passed over to the composer. Then comes a period of the drodling on the part of the composer, for the brain is worked on the same principle as a coal mine. The Caspian: At Mery, Yulatan, and Sariyazi Col. Alik-

The word "tepe" or "tapa," (mound,) which ter ing an as so be derved and dug for before it gets, up to the surface. Then follows a time of consultation, discussion, argument, cutreaty, give and take, between the collaborateurs. The author writes his dialogue and polishes up his lyries, and invents his "business." Mr. Gibert, who is nothing if not thorough, has a model of his stage constructed, with mimic sets and seenes, and muste players. Ike chessmen, with whom he spends many hours arranged active rehearshis begin.

If is announced that the circus will be here April 15. If the managers will give us a good single-ring circus, with first-class performers and a fine brass band, they will be praised and make money. The overgrown two and three-ring circuses are all humburgs, because no person can see more than one fest at a time, and the enormous distances from which most of the audience are scatted are so far away that they cannot get a good view of anything in the rings.

Vanity Fair says that "the most ticklish part Fanity Fair says that "the most ticklish part of the Afghan Ironiter question is the diager of the Afghans adding with the Bussians. The Bussian game is to get as close to the frontier as they can now without actual war, and then to forment a dvil war amongst the Afghans. It would be easy for the itussians to get up such a war in Afghanistan by starting Ayoub Kilan in opposition to Abdur Bahman. The English must then interfers on one side or the other, and the Bussians would come in as authors determined by the Afghans are wary folk, and they will side with whichever they think the strongest party. Any yielding to Bussian now will convince the Afghans that the Russians are the strongest. No sake man can suppose that Russia has advanced across the deserts, that sireted from the Caspian to Herait, low cities, for any other object than the ultimate sequinition of Julia, and perfect app by force—but with a view to getting cashished.

travel abroad.

out being struck with the thought that it is not only a "city of magnificent distances," but a city of aba "city of magnificent distances," but a city of altripic contrasts. This is especially type of the north-western part of fown, where elegant residences sometimes stabl opposite or side by wide with tum ble-down shanties. There is no shading. It is black and white in startling proximity. One square built up with valuable mansions, inhabited by people certainly of wealth, presumably of good blood, carriages rolling from one well-kept doot to another, the whole presenting a perfect picture of an aristocratic neighborhood. Just as lakely as not the very next square will not have a toleratic house and hardly a white inhabitant. Misery may bring one strange hed-fellows, but it seems that inxury sometimes brings one strange neighborhoo, for it is appartimes brings one strange neighbors, for it is apparently in the finest parts of town that our colored brethen most do congregate. In a few years this will all be changed. The incongruities caused by an fust been made so that the "limited" now takes us astonishingly rapid rise in the value of real estatto Chicago in twenty-three hours, to Cincinnati in and a tide of fashion setting in a hitherto undestra-twenty, and to St. Louis in twenty-eight. The ad-mirable appointments and service make the Penn-sylvania the most comfortable as well as the fastest in no other city. The rich and poor classes so mixed up together in the same locality, little frame houses reating for a few dollars a month on land worth three or four dollars a foot, colored children swarm-ing on the street about their nomes just round the ener from some of the most valuable property in

RANDOM WRITINGS.

One really wonders what will become of the people when they do have to "move on," as they certainly will in time. And moreover one cannot help wondering at the attempted "booms" in suburban property. A stranger might wonder why people should go out of town to build when there are ac-maily acres of desirable land in the city still union roved, or only occupied by little rookeries left from the lays of the "squatters sovereignty." However if Washington goes on growing at the present rate we shall probably live to see these unoccupied place handsomely built up, and the suburts as well. The remark has been made, but is worth repeat ing, that Washington affords more opportunities for pisturesque architecture than any other city. An

relitect who takes any pleasure in his professio must delight in the oddly-shaped and irregular lots that abound here. What can one do with a series of parallelograms of uniform size: How can one vary ac monotony of miles of buildings where the streets all run at right angles, and the ground is livided into parcels of exactly the same size and shape, but here the arrangement of avenues crossing he streets in a sort of irregular regularity creates and quantity of triangles, which offer tempting building ties to the architect who wants to be original and trising. These architectural opportunities seem to be well improved so far. The vista down some of the streets and arequies that have been built up lately is certainly varied and picturesque. It is a good deal the fashion to smer at modern architects and to speak contemptionally of "gingerbread work." People who affect such refinement of taste that the retensions of modern building grate upon their sen-tive nerves, may find soothing and congenial sur-oundings in Philadelphia, for instance. For my part I delight in the wildest flights of fancy in brief and stone. There will always be plenty of conserva-tive spirits who can furnish the solid and handsome style which tones down the architectural eccentricites of more daring spirits, and the general effect of the whole is interesting and admirable. It is very probable that a hundred years from now artists will dock here in search of the picturesque, but in the meantime, as the flavor of antiquity and decay, supposed to add artistic value to cities and building are not for our day, let us take an honest delight in the equal charms of freshness and prosperity which surround us in abundance.

Now that the base-ball season has opened, we ma ertainly bid a long farewell to winter and assume that spring has come at last. The astonishing popu larity of base-ball games as an amusement la summer was a constant surprise to people who a few years ago would never have thought of going o a base-ball game, and who would have had to go out on some desolate common if they had wanted to see one. The fact that it can be made to pay to hire a valuable piece of land, fence it, and build a grand stand and improvements on it, simply for exhibitions of skill at base ball, shows that there is really a grea deal of interest in the sport. That these games should be attended by large numbers of ladies was the most surprising part of all, for the hopeless obuseness of the feminine mind to the mysteries of base ball is a subject for masculine jests throughout the land. The managers showed their wisdom here, however, by making no admission charge for ladies. The charm of getting something for nothing outweighs the tedium of the game, and consequently the fair sex flocked to the base-ball grounds. Having spent many tedious afternoons there being patiently structed by their escorts in the rules and beauties of the game, it is probable that many of them will have learned enough about it to welcome the open-ing of the season, and perhaps before long to display as much critical knowledge of the game and as much enthusiasm about it as men. It is certainly advisable that they should, if they expect to see much of their respective husbands, brothers, or sweethearts during the next six months, for a base-ball nine has a fascination for a man which "passeth the love of

The apportionment of officials for police duty is at iteresting subject to contemplate. For instance One patrolman on a lonely beat of six miles is deemed sufficient to protect life and property by Maj. Dye, while it takes six roundsmen to manage an orderly game of base ball. One peculiarity about ranning themselves in front of the rows of sears round the infield, with the eyes of all of them fixed pon the home-plate, unless the ball should happen obe batted, in which case they swing in their sockets oward the point of universal interest. Reader, f you are pursued by a relentless foe, on bodily will bent, and would have the protection which the con-stabulary grants, go! hie thee to a base-ball game whenever opportunity presents.

A legend which closely follows the dramatis per some on the play-bill of the Grand Opera House, being deciphered, informs us that the audience-ladies especially—are cordially invited to promenade in the foyer and lobbles of the theatre-between the acts for the purpose of recreation during the other-wise long and irksome sitting in one position. As an additional convenience electric bells are rang two minutes before the rise of the currain. I do not think Washington can be said to have a class of ladies who take hold of every new innovation (ex-cept, perhaps, in the matter of dress) for the novelty of the thing. Their conservatism, I believe, how ver, is carried too far when they neglect to avail themselves of this privilege, except in isolated in-stances, which in other large cities where modern theatres exist is eagerly taken advantage of by fashonable society. A study of the situation Albaugh's shows that this much desired custom will noon be inaugurated. All that is now needed by the adies is an example to be set them by some leader of society. Already a careful observer may see the nging backward glances cast by the gentler sex the close of each act, patiently waiting for a genera movement toward the rear which shall include a fair sprinkling of ladies.

POLITICAL POINTS.

Kentucky wanted the earth. As it stands she glad she's alive.—Louisville (Ky.) Commercial. "Mr. Pendleton is almost as great an improvement pon Sargent and Kasson as Garland, Lamar, and vilas are upon Brewster, Teller, and Frank Hatton, says the Chicago Times (Ind.)

It is predicted that the next House will in solem nity and dignity rival the Senate. The "funny and hilarious members, Cox, Belford, and Horr will all be gone.—Betroit (Mich.) Free Press. There is nothing lukewarm about the indorsen f President Cleveland from the South. The Sava nah (Ga.) News (Dem.) says: "The President keeping his promises. There are none who den that he is. If he continues as he has begun, an places the principle of civil service reform on such firm basis that it can never again become the playing of politicians, he will be accorded a place i history as one of the great Presidents."

The report in the Pennsylvania newspapers the The report in the Pennsylvania newspapers that the farms in that State will not sell for more than the cost of improvements in buildings and fences, and the remark that that statement may be applied to other of the older sections of the country, leads the Vermont Watchmen to say: "But they do not tell how it is that farming falls so low, in the midst of great industries that demand high protection in order to live. These are things that ought to set men to thinking, for if neither agriculture nor manufactures are doing well under the coddling system of the last quarter of a century, perhaps it would be best to try a more bracing treatment."

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the appointment of Mr. Pheips as Minister to Eng-land does not meet with much approval in Wal street. The feeling of the street is that everything atrect. The feeling of the street is that everything ought to be done to restore confidence in Engiand in American securities. That confidence has been over and over again snaken, but in no instance were Englishmen more punished than in the Emma Mine and affair. Swindling and the Emma Mine are almost synonymous in Britain mines, and they will soon learn that Mr. Phelps was the counsel of Gen. Schenck in that transaction. Or course we know very well that Mr. Phelps was merely the attorney of Meesrs. Park and Schenck, but Wall-street people who see a long way beyond their noses predict that his appointment will beget distrast in the British investor's minel. He will no doubt or represented in the English and American Journals as the exponent of poker and the step-father of spurious enterprises. terprise These Independent Republican newspapers a

going too far. They have almost reached the poir of deciaring that those who worked the hardest an most intelligently for Democratic success—which, most intelligently for Democratic success—which, i must be understood, is for the country's good—at those who shall be last considered when the honor and rewards are to be distributed. It may said the publicians, who merely make use of the bemocraticarty to serve a feeting purpose, to take this view The Democratis who approached nearest to zero, it section if not in conviction, are sure to be the monalisable to our political opponents. But Democratically to the more who have borne the heat and burden of the fight must look with some chagrin upon exhibition which takes the shape of facil condemnation of those where most conspicuous, by their intelligent and fall ful service, in the campagn which resulted in the circular of Mr. Cleveland as Fresident of the Unite States, and which gave to the present Cabinet in power and opportunities which had been denied all Democrats for about a quarter of a century-chartesion Courier.

The Rochester Democrat (Rep.) for several week

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